

Gene Stratton Porter papers

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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Stratton-Porter, Gene, 1863-1924
Title	Gene Stratton Porter papers
Date	1902-1933
Extent	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
Language	English
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Biographical Note

Geneva Grace Stratton was born on August 17, 1863, in Wabash County, Indiana, to Mark Stratton and Mary Shallenberger Stratton. On April 21, 1886, Gene married businessman Charles Porter, and moved to Decatur, Indiana. Their only daughter, Jeannette Stratton-Porter, was born August 27, 1887. In 1894, Charles and Gene built a cabin near the Limberlost Swamp in Geneva, Indiana, where Gene spent much of her time exploring the swamp. While living at Limberlost, Gene wrote six of her twelve novels and five of her seven nature books, including the best-selling books "Freckles and A Girl of the Limberlost." In 1918, the family made the decision to move to California, where eight of Gene's novels were adapted as motion pictures. Gene Stratton-Porter died on December 6, 1924, in Los Angeles, California, from injuries sustained in a car accident. She is buried near her cabin on Sylvan Lake, Rome City, Indiana.

Source: <http://www.genestratton-porter.com>

Scope and Contents

This collection includes a 1933 photograph, a copy of "The Old Institution of Home" (3 pages), and five original letters from Gene Stratton Porter, ranging from 1902-1923, regarding her work and personal life.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Geneva (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Authors--American--Indiana--20th century
- Correspondence
- Manuscript
- Photographs